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SUBJECT: GATT BUDGET

1. DG LONG HAS CALLED INFORMAL MEETING OF KEY DELS
MONDAY, APRIL 17, IN ORDER TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS THAT
SECRETARIAT HAS IN ESTIMATING 1979 BUDGET. 1979 BUDGET
WILL PRESUMABLY PROVIDE FOR POST-MTN LEVEL OF ACTIVITIES.
SINCE FINAL SHAPE OF MTN NEGOTIATED PACKAGE IS NOT LIKELY
BEFORE MID-JULY, SECRETARIAT WILL NEED TO DELAY BUDGET
CYCLE IN ORDER TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT MTN PACKAGE.
(WASHINGTON AGENCIES WILL RECALL THAT DG LONG WAS DIR-
ECTED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE AT LAST MEETING TO MAKE A
DETAILED ORGANIZATION CHART FOR POST-MTN ACTIVITIES.)
SECRETARIAT COULD THEREFORE NOT COMPLETE DRAFT BUDGET
DOCUMENT USUALLY DISTRIBUTED IN JULY FOR
CP'S STUDY UNTIL EARLY IN THE FALL.

2. LONG WILL BE SOLICITING DELEGATES' VIEWS ON HOW
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SECRETARIAT SHOULD PROCEED IN THIS SITUATION. WE SEE
SOME ADVANTAGE TO HAVING SECRETARIAT DELAY ISSUANCE OF
DRAFT BUDGET AS LONG AS IT IS FEASIBLE IN ORDER TO HAVE
BETTER ESTIMATES FOR 1979. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE,
WE INTEND TO SUGGEST GATT SECRETARIAT DELAY BUDGET CYCLE
IN ORDER TO TAKE POST-MTN REQUIREMENTS INTO ACCOUNT AS
LONG AS FINAL APPROVAL OF BUDGET WILL BE READY FOR THE

BUDGET COMMITTEE IN TIME TO SEEK APPROVAL OF CONTRACTING
PARTIES AT ANNUAL SESSION. VANDEN HEUVEL

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